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**PATENT - Customer Number 27778**

Docket No.: ESG-030388 US  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Michael J. Stickney, Edward M. Jones Jr., M.S. Chandrasekharaiah

For: FUEL BLEND FOR AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action Mailed July 16, 2002 – FILING DATE GRANTED OF June 26, 2001, enclosed are the following items for the above referenced U.S. Patent Application:

Amended Claims with Remarks and Marked Up Claims.

Also enclosed is: Return Receipt Post Card.

For your convenience, this transmittal letter is provided in triplicate. Should you wish to discuss this application with Agent for Applicant, please call Michael P. Hartmann at (713) 939-2749 or facsimile (713) 939-2856.

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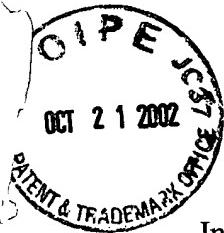
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Application No.: 09/891,902 §  
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Title: Fuel Blend For An Internal Combustion Engine

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2002 please make the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

A clean copy of the amended claims appears below.

A marked up copy of each amended claim appears after the remarks.

1. A fuel blend for use in an internal combustion engine, the fuel blend comprising:  
a hydrocarbon-containing fuel component selected from the group consisting of  
gasoline and diesel;